

Nights of the Pufflings

Selection 1 Test

1. Which statement below is an opinion about puffins?

- a. Puffins come ashore once a year.
- b. Puffins nest in burrows.
- c. Puffins eat fish.
- d. Puffins are beautiful and special birds.

2. People sometimes cause problems for wildlife.

Which detail from the selection supports this main idea?

- a. The children rescue the pufflings and set them free near the ocean.
- b. The village lights cause some pufflings to get confused and land in the village.
- c. The children sleep late in the day so they can stay out at night.
- d. The adult puffins take fish to their babies.

3. Read the following sentence from the selection.

“When the puffling runs down the street, she races after it, grabs it, and **nestles** it in her arms.”

The word “nestle” probably means

- a. to wave around
- b. drag behind
- c. settles or presses closely
- d. throw

4. Why does Hall hold the pufflings up in the air before launching it over the water?

- a. to say good-bye one last time
- b. to turn it in the right direction
- c. to keep it from getting sand on her feet
- d. to let it get used to flapping its wings

5. What time of day do the children release the pufflings?
- morning
 - late afternoon
 - noon
 - late evening
6. The suffix –ly helps the reader know the word “instinctively” probably means
- instinctive again
 - in a way that is instinctive
 - not instinctive
 - instinctive before
7. Read page 30. The main text structure of the passage is
- sequence
 - author
 - cause/effect
 - descriptive
8. The purpose of the title, Nights of the Pufflings, is to tell the reader the
- history of the passage.
 - events of the passage.
 - topic of the passage.
 - writer of the passage.
9. Using a complete sentence, tell one fact about how the Icelanders help the pufflings.
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10. What words does the author use to describe what happens and how the scene looks?
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